

## Senior government officials to interpret letters patent for commission Peninsula municipalities can't reconcile fair payment scheme for Sooke water

BY BRENDA DALGLISH

Who pays for the expensive pipeline and Sooke Lake water was the topic of heated debate at the last Saanich Peninsula Water Commission meeting, Thursday.

Central Saanich representatives, Aldermen Dave Hill and Earle Tabor argued that their council's

interpretation of the letters patent, signed last December to formalize the commission, was that each municipality would share the costs equally.

"Three people own this pipeline and three people are expected to pay for it," said Tabor.

Hill stated that he thought the pipeline costs should be shared equally by the municipalities while the water and operating costs

should be borne by water users.

Opposition to this view came loud and long from North Saanich representatives. Using clause three of the letters patent they claim the wording, "The regional district is empowered by by-law to fix rates and charges for the supply of water," to the three municipalities indicates a user pay basis.

Central Saanich uses the

same statement to claim the commission, through the regional district, can decide to pay for its pipeline and water costs any way it chooses.

An executive committee of the commission was struck to come up with a solution to the problem but according to a report from chairman, Jim Cumming, the committee could reach no agreement and the matter returned to com-

mission.

He said in his report, "Each committee member felt, and stated that each represented his municipality and had been instructed to express the viewpoint of his municipality. The chairman stated that they should function as commission members and base decisions on factors which were fair and equitable to all concerned."

Central Saanich has a

large proportion of its population on the water line, it has a large amount of water used for agricultural purposes. Presently it is using about 55 per cent of the water in the pipeline. It would prefer to see water charged for on the basis of each municipality paying approximately one third of the costs of the line and the operations and water in the line paid for by water users.

North Saanich strongly opposes this, preferring all costs related to the line be charged directly to water users. Only one third of North Saanich's residents are on the line and the municipality uses only about 15 per cent of the water in the line.

Sidney uses about 22 per cent (the remaining capacity of the line goes to the ferries, the airport and the experimental station) of the

water in the line and all its residents are on the water line.

It was Sidney's request that clarification be given on how costs should be recovered that got the commission involved in the first place.

The commission decided to invite regional board chairman, Dennis Young, and the Municipal Affairs Assistant Deputy Minister,

Chris Woodward, attend the next meeting to hear their opinions. Also the municipalities' solicitors and administrators will be invited for information. Young and Woodward visited all three municipal councils before the letters patent were signed to explain the contents. Because of the misunderstanding about the letters patent it is thought these two might be able to offer a solution.

### C.S. residents may buy in

Peninsula Recreation Commission will consider a proposal Thursday night which would allow some Central Saanich residents full registration privileges at Panorama Leisure Centre.

Recreation manager Brian Storrier said the proposal was initiated after several Central Saanich families expressed an interest in paying their share of the cost of the centre in return for full privileges. The cost of the membership would be roughly equal to the proportionate tax levied against Sidney and North Saanich residents to build and operate the centre.

Residents from outside the two sponsoring municipalities are worried about a quota system to be instituted in which registration in popular recreation programs will be limited to Sidney and North Saanich residents unless there is enough room to accommodate others.

Sidney recreation commissioner Ross Martin says the proposal would give Central Saanich residents an avenue for equal participation in the centre. "The idea appeals to a lot of commissioners," he said.

### Water commission sounds out agricultural supply

Establishing an agricultural water supply was the Saanich Peninsula Water Commission's goal when it talked with representatives from the Water Rights Branch at its regular meeting, Thursday.

Five representatives from the branch came to answer questions the commission had about obtaining funds under A.R.D.A., the Agricultural Rural Development Act for an irrigation system.

One of the possibilities the commission considered was to build a second system designed to serve farmers only, using as a water source Elk Lake as well as other wells and reservoirs in the municipalities that will no longer be required when the permanent line is in full operation.

Because one of the stipulations the Greater Victoria Water District made when it agreed to sell the commission water was that the water was not to be used for agricultural purposes, it necessitates the peninsula find an alternate source for its farmers. It is unlikely the farmers will use Sooke Lake water because of its high cost, in any case.

The water rights representatives explained that a feasibility study of

the agricultural area involved would have to be done before applying for funds. That study would include an estimate of the demand for irrigation water, a general description of the type of system required and a benefit-cost study.

This study and application will then be considered with other applications to choose the worthiest projects. The feasibility study is estimated to take about six months preparation time and the commission would probably not get the results from A.R.D.A. for several more months.

J.W. Webber of the Community Water Supply Division for the Water Rights Branch explained that A.R.D.A., a scheme funded equally by the provincial and federal governments, would supply "75 per cent of the capital costs on the eligible portion." The local government involved would pay the remaining costs.

He said, "It is water to the farm gate, not into the farm, under A.R.D.A." although he thought there might be other funding schemes for the farmers' individual systems.

A.R.D.A. only assists with

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Sidney Volunteer Firemen quickly doused this minor house fire Friday at 2313 Oakville Avenue.

## Restrictions on water hook-ups Sidney needs revenue producing development

Sidney town council will consider lifting a water hook-up restriction resolution next Monday because it is halting revenue generating development in the area.

Alderman Jim Lang, water committee chairman, said in spite of Capital Regional District engineers' statements that adequate water may not be supplied to Sidney, he will urge council to forego the restrictions.

"To hell will this business of rationing, we are going to go ahead with development," he said.

Ald. Jerry Tregaskis said the restrictions on hook-ups to new development proposals was instituted many years ago when Sidney was in the throes of a definite and serious water shortage.

"At that time we didn't have the supply to meet the demand but with the recently installed temporary pipeline and booster station there is more water

available and it is time to re-evaluate our position," Tregaskis said.

He pointed out that by next summer the permanent pipeline should be com-

pleted to Central Saanich leaving adequate water supply flowing through the temporary pipeline to serve the needs of the northern part of the peninsula.

### Neighbourhood fire watch

During the past few weeks the Central Saanich volunteer fire department and police have been called to several small grass fires. Adjoining householders are worried that one such grass fire could get out of control and set fire to their houses.

They report they have seen some teenage boys in the vicinity of each fire and suspect them of deliberately setting the fires.

Police have the names of some suspects, but only circumstantial evidence, not enough to ensure a conviction.

Neighbours have been advised to keep a close watch and report immediately anything that appears suspicious.

Police will arrest and charge any person who can be positively identified as having set a fire.

Lang said 595 hook-up applications are on file and being held back by the restriction resolution while development is progressing in both North and Central Saanich.

Tregaskis said it was ludicrous that Sidney, which has cut consumption by 10% over last year's figures, should have to curtail development while the other peninsula municipalities forge ahead.

Mayor Dick Leigh is in favor of releasing some parcels from the restrictions and said Sidney needs the development to keep taxes at reasonable levels. "We need to increase the value of the mill by increasing the value of property," he said.

Leigh said Sidney is trying to conserve water by placing restrictions on developers and surcharges on over-consumers yet development rolls ahead in North Saanich and Central Saanich.

"It's a valid point to take a look at releasing some of the property for water hook-ups," he said.

## Shortage of well water in North Saanich One well dry as new low level water records approached

There are several wells experiencing shortages in North Saanich and one resident has already had his well dry up, reported commission members at the Saanich Peninsula Water Commission meeting, Thursday.

A resident on Clayton Road complained to North Saanich municipality that the well had completely run dry Wednesday night.

The commission inquired of the Water Rights Branch representatives who attended the meeting what could be done about the problem.

Dr. John Foweraker, who is in the Groundwater Section of the Water Investigation Branch, said, "There is evidence that shows when the Kingswood Well is pumped, the wells along Clayton are pulled down."

"Could such a deep well affect shallow surface wells that are drawing water from a gravel bed?" commission chairman, Jim Cumming asked.

"I know it seems strange, but we have studies that show some shallow wells are recharged by the bedrock. Each situation is different and to prove it, would require an individual, expensive study," Foweraker replied.

He said the Kingswood Well was drawing about 270 U.S. gallons per minute, and had been for most of the summer. The well is used by a farmer, who leases the property it is on, for irrigating.

Ald. George Westwood of North Saanich wanted to know if Water Rights could persuade the farmer to cut down his water use.

Although the resident whose well went dry can be helped because he can be given a water connection because he is on the water line, there could be more serious problems later in the summer.

The Water Rights Branch representatives explained some of the legalities of water rights. They said that a resident who is deprived of his water supply has the option of a civil suit against whoever is depriving him.

"We calculate some of the northern wells will go dry by the end of August," said Foweraker.

The Ground Water Section of the Water

Investigation Branch has been monitoring wells on the peninsula regularly to determine the water levels in the area. Most of their sample wells are located in the area north from McTavish Road.

They have discovered that the water level in many surficial wells (wells located in deposits of sand or gravel) could "approach or

surpass the recorded low levels of the area in the fall." Records have been kept for approximately 10 years.

Bedrock wells are behaving normally to date but Foweraker cautions "increased ground water demand locally, through irrigation practices, could result in levels falling to new lows by fall."

## The cost of a water system The question can be resolved reasonably

BY GORDON EVAN

The more the question of financing the peninsula water system is looked into, the more complex it appears to be. The whole question, however, can be divided into a number of parts, which, though separate, are nevertheless interlocking.

The complicating factor is that there are several kinds of costs and several ways to recover them. Also, these costs occur in three distinct sections of the overall system and are reflected up the system from one section, through succeeding ones, ultimately to individual peninsula residents. The problem is to determine the costs accurately and to recover them equitably.

The so-called "buy in" cost that occurs only in the first section of the system.

The Greater Victoria Water Board (GVWB) estimates it has to pay \$2,500,000 over a 15 year period to amortize the cost of its existing bulk supply system. This system, it is said, was designed oversize to handle the possible water requirements for the Peninsula. If water is supplied to the Peninsula, GVWB members will lose the extra capacity they have installed and partially paid for. It is argued therefore, that it is only just that the Saanich Peninsula Water Commission (SPWC) which should pay these arrears in capital costs or "buy in"

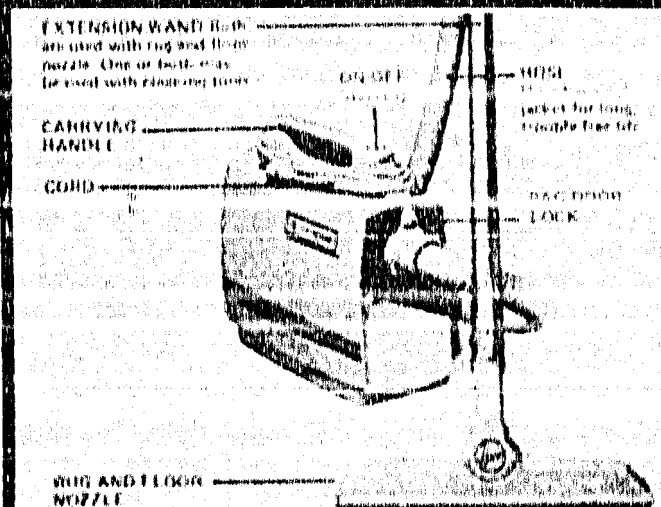
for its equity in GVWB system.

The justice of the "buy in" costs must be established.

The other GVWB customers are charged, and SPWC will be charged, 18 cents a thousand gallons actually consumed. These charges presumably include amortization costs for the Sooke Lake bulk supply system. To have a defensible foundation, it would have to be demonstrated that the "buy in" cost is the actual cost incurred by the other GVWB members due to the extra built in capacity over the period during which SPWC was not a contributor. Also, having "brought in", it would have to be shown that the 18 cents a thousand gallons would continue to be a fair and reasonable charge in view of the broader consumption base, because it is manifestly unfair and unreasonable for a party, having paid his full capital equity in an enterprise, to have a profit or duplicate payments extracted from him in perpetuity on account of that equity, unless he becomes at least a pro-rated partner in the enterprise and shares in those profits.

Moreover, in the interests of justice, the equitable principle implied by "buy in", namely: that all parties who benefit shall pay for the costs of those benefits, is to be endorsed without reservation by all parties.

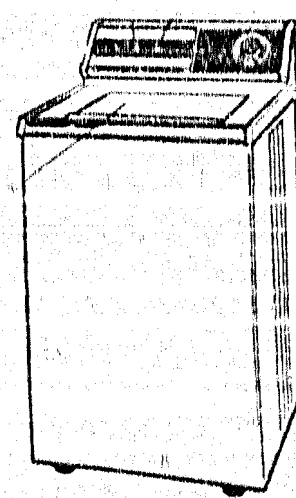
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the public supply.

Alderman Dave Hill of Central Saanich said, "There's a domestic system existing now; it seems a waste to have to put in a separate system."

H.D. DeBeck, the Comptroller of the Water Rights Branch disagreed saying, "We would be very surprised if you were to find it economical to have two in

one pipe." He explained that the water in the permanent pipeline, Sooke Lake water, will be too expensive to use for irrigating and further that the G.V.W.D. does not want it used for agriculture.

DeBeck said he thought the majority of Central Saanich farmers were connected to the main truck line from Elk Lake north through the municipality and would have not great difficulty in obtaining the agricultural supply.

If the water was to be chlorinated, as it always has been from Elk Lake, Webber said it could be used domestically and not hurt crops in anyway. He claimed there was evidence that in the Okanagan when chlorinated water was used for irrigating it reduced the worm and insect population.

The commission referred further consideration of the feasibility study to their engineering assistants for a report.

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BY  
EDITH SMITH

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Duncan. Edith Smith, president of the regional council for the south was in charge of the trip and with the help of the driver managed to treat the passengers to some interesting scenic side trips before proceeding to Duncan.

Well over one hundred

members from the different south branches were present in the picnic area and were greeted by the hosting Branch #76 Cobble Hill who had arranged the details in advance. Lively entertainment followed lunch, with Mrs. L. Hay directing the Altones Chorus and Mrs. D. Kinne on the organ, whose spirited playing moved some of the assembly to dancing on the grass. The Duncan Mouth Organ Band gave out with some fine old time tunes, while Dwight Robinson, age 93, made

beautiful music on his saxophone. A sing-song, some comic recitations and songs, and a general social free-for-all rounded out an afternoon which had the air of a summer day "Concert-in-the Park" which everyone enjoyed.

Branches in Salt Spring Island, Saturna Island, Victoria, Sooke, Cobble Hill and Duncan are included with Sidney in the South Island Regional Council and meet twice a year to discuss affairs pertaining to senior citizens.

## Indian artifact collection sold

The \$6,000 Indian Artifact Collection held by Sidney Bargain House has been recently sold.

The collection went to an unnamed "private enterprise" according to Thelma Baal who, with her husband, owns and operates the Bargain

House.

Mac John, originator of the Sidney Museum, requested Sidney town council buy the collection for the museum last fall.

The collection contained, rare Indian dolls, model canoes, beadwork on wearing apparel, small totem poles and baskets.

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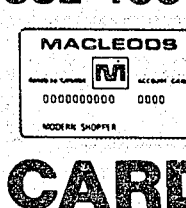
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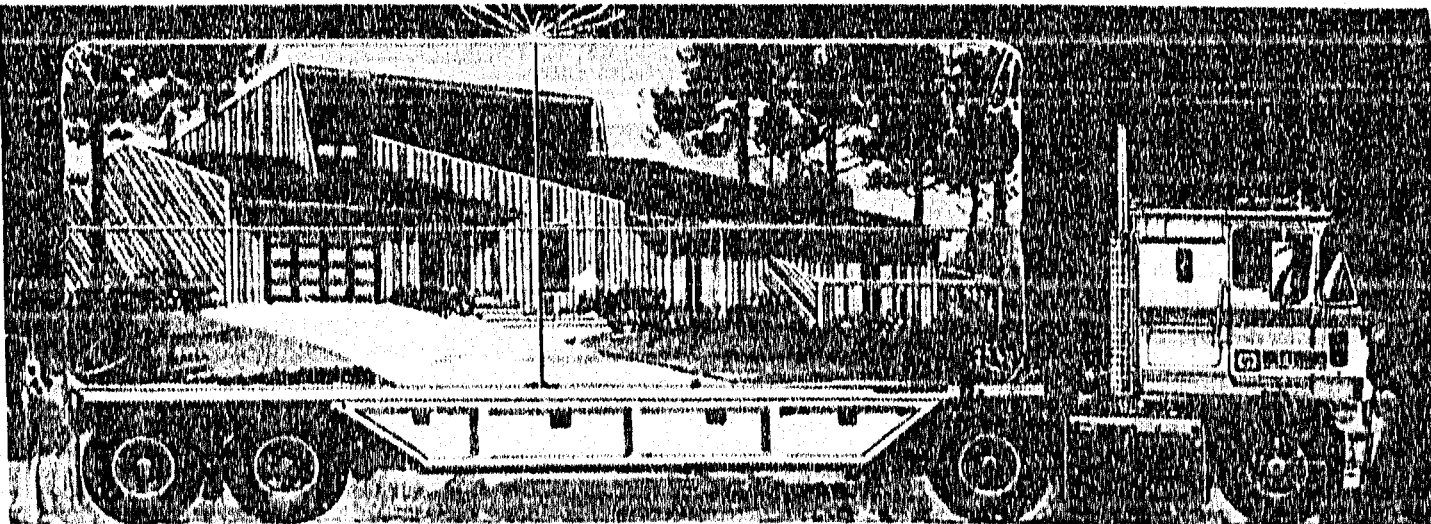
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and applied consistently.  
Applying this principle, the "buy in" costs would have to be confined to a pro-rated share of the costs of the direct main supply line from Sooke Lake, through the Japan Gulch tunnel, to Haliburton Reservoir. GVWB estimates the present value of these costs to be \$2,272,409 and, subject to audit, this estimate appears to be acceptable.  
Thus "buy in" entails SPWC acknowledging a \$2,272,409 debt, the GVWB making SPWC a pro-rata partner, and all parties paying their fair share of the costs of future works from which they derive benefit.  
The argument against, or alternative to, "buy in" is to agree that, in return for a subsidy in this instance, that is to say: free entry, SPWC will pay a common share based on actual consumption of all future works, even of those that may be of exclusive benefit to other members.  
GVWB advocates "buy in", but has not agreed to all that "buy in" entails. This is the first point SPWC must establish in its negotiations.  
So far, two repayment proposals have been advanced. The first is that the costs should be recovered through a charge of 30c a thousand gallons based on an absolute minimum yearly consumption of 400 million gallons or, if in excess of this amount, a minimum of 220 percent of the peak four months summer consumption over a period of 15 years. The alternative proposal is that SPWC should "buy in" with an outright payment of \$2,272,409. Both proposals are said to be equivalent.  
With outright "buy in", the \$2,272,409 could be added to other capital costs, which include some \$4,000,000 for the Haliburton to Dooley Road

pipeline, minor projects of \$230,000 and undetermined amounts for SPWC mains. These debts could be amortized over a period of 25 years and are most probably eligible for abatement through provincial grants of 75% of the amount due over 3 mills. With new upward revised real property assessment pending, however, the 3 mills is an indeterminate amount; and the scheme carries the apparent implication that all capital costs would have to be recovered through peninsula wide real property taxes.  
In any event, without abatement, the debt of \$2,272,409 would be amortized at 9 5/8% interest over 25 years by annual payments of \$230,510 for a total of \$5,762,750. Since total capital debt charges will exceed 3 mills, whatever the new assessments, it may be viewed that all the "buy in" costs will be eligible for the 75% grant. In this perspective, annual payments would be 25% of the gross of \$57,627.50 for a total of \$1,440,687.50.  
Calculations for the 30 cents a thousand gallon consumption charge are more nebulous. Using last month's consumption of 65,192,003 gallons as an indicator, applying the formula and projecting the results over 15 years, an annual consumption of some 6 million gallons for a total "buy in" cost of \$180,000 annually for a total of \$2,700,000 is obtained. Since water consumption is bound to increase during the 15 year period, the total will increase proportionately. Most probably, the costs would not be eligible for provincial abatement grants, but they could be passed on to consumers only.  
At 9 5/8%, the \$2,272,409 is worth \$219,287 annually to GVWB, because this would be its debt charges, if it had to borrow this amount for capital works. At 30 cents per thousand gallons GVWB would receive only \$180,000 a year initially. The outright payment option then benefits GVWB by \$39,287 a year. With abatement through provincial grant considered, SPWC initially saves \$180,000 minus \$57,628 or \$122,372 annually. It would appear, then, that it is in the interest of both parties, GVWB and SPWC to agree to the outright payment proposal, provided of course that the principle and its implications of "buy in" is accepted in the first place.  
Thus one part of the overall question of financing the peninsula water system may be resolved reasonably.

  
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Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Few of 544 Meldram accompanied Mrs. Few's two brothers, George Braithwaite of Cobble Hill and Douglas Braithwaite of Tapping Road, North Saanich; their nephew and his wife, Mr. & Mrs. Gordon Braithwaite of Port Alberni, and their niece and her husband, Margaret and Roland Baird of Cobble Hill to a reunion of Lake Isle School near Fallis, Alberta. Mrs. Few, then Lottie Braithwaite, and her brothers were among the first pupils at Lake Isle School, and it was the first school their niece Margaret attended. There were over three hundred and fifty at the reunion, quite a few of them having attended with the Braithwaite family.

Major and Mrs. John Grierson of 8660 Kleewych Road have returned from six weeks' holiday in Scotland. They attended their son's graduation from St. Andrew's University.

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Old London Bridge was demolished and re-erected (Part of it, they say) in the USA; Cleopatra's Needle was transported from the East to embellish London's Thames Embankment many years ago. So nothing is entirely impossible in this age of marvels.

But despite the aptness of the suggestion, we are assured that there is no substance to the rumour that Nelson's Column and Landseer's Lions are about to be moved to Brentwood Bay.

## Keep angle parking

Something to admire is the nonchalant ease and speed with which the expert driver steers backward into a vacant parallel parking space. Such perfect technique and judgment and precise wheel alignment that we do not begrudge the self-satisfied expression as the driver alights and locks up with a flourish.

But many local drivers are more than a little scared of parallel parking, and will attempt it only when forced to do so. Sure, it was somehow accomplished way back in the driving test, but only with anxiety and trepidation. Since then it has been angle parking every time, a neat turn into the space presented and a good look to make sure before backing out.

Very wisely, it must be evident by this time, Sidney has returned to angle parking on Beacon Avenue. The experimental change was not to the liking of the regulars who shop on the avenue, or to the traders who experienced diminishing returns. Sooner or later many customers would drive elsewhere on their simple but regular shopping expeditions. More and more alternatives are becoming available.

Should we not recognize that parallel parking, while sound in theory, presents many a hazard in actual practice? The general idea is to provide a second line of free-flowing traffic, but instead there is too frequent blockage by unsure drivers making tentative and abortive moves to back into a vacant slot. Nerves and lack of skill cause a line-up of impatient drivers and the objective is thereby defeated. Confidence returns with the restoration of angle parking: let's keep it that way on Beacon Avenue.

## New director Research Station

Dr. T.H. Anstey, assistant director general of the Research Branch of Agriculture Canada recently announced the appointment of Dr. J.M. Molnar as been appointed director of the Saanichton Research Station, Sidney, B.C. to succeed Mr. Harry Anderson who retired at the end of December, 1976.

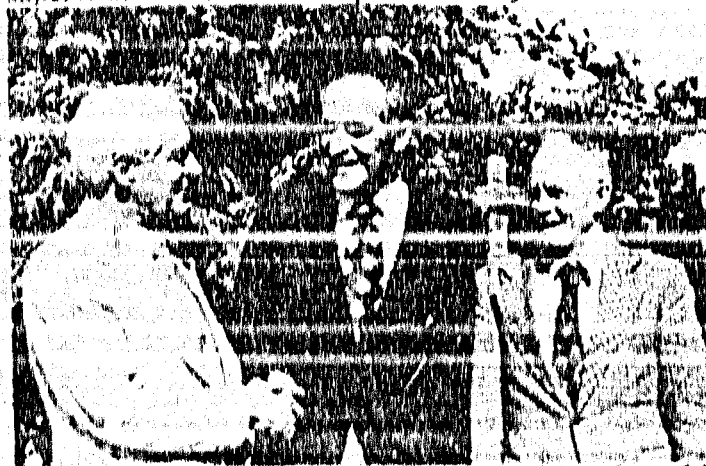
Dr. Molnar, a native of Debrecen, Hungary has been head of the Ornamental Research Section, Ottawa Research Station, since 1973. He graduated in 1961 with the degree of B.Sc. in agriculture from the University of British Columbia, gained the M.Sc. degree in Horticulture at the University of Alberta in 1966 and was awarded the Ph.D. degree, majoring in Plant Physiology at the University of Manitoba in 1971. During this period he was the recipient of a number of scholarships, including the B.C. and Alberta government scholarships, and the B.C. Fruit Growers Association Golden Jubilee Scholarship.

In addition to his service with the federal government in Ottawa, Dr. Molnar worked for two years as supervisor with the Canada

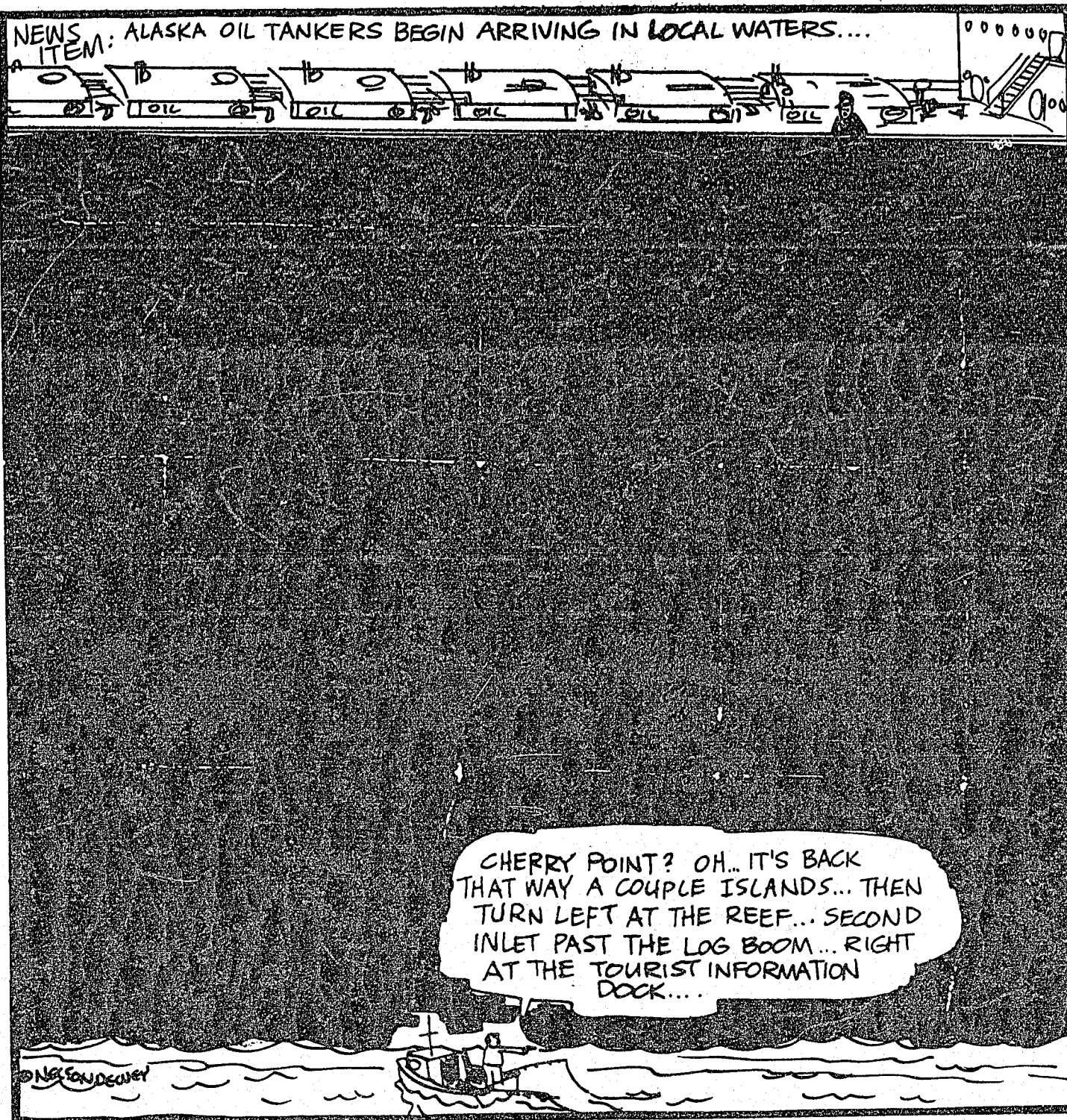
Colonization Association, Vancouver, B.C. and Lethbridge, Alberta, in 1962-64 as credit advisor, Farm Credit Corporation, Edmonton, Alberta, and from 1966 to 1971 was a research officer, Research Branch, Agriculture Canada, at the Research Station, Morden, Manitoba.

Already with productive research in ornamental horticulture behind him, which has included improved production techniques for Cyclamen, Kalanchoes and Rieger begonias, including tissue culture of the latter two species, he has introduced a new Rieger begonia cultivar "Northern Sunset" and has contributed to our understanding of causes of senescence in cut roses. Besides his administrative duties he plans to continue with horticultural research. Prospects for an expanded program in Ornamentals and greenhouse research at the Saanichton Research Station are bright.

Dr. Molnar who will be assuming his new duties on August 4, is married and has two sons, aged 10 and 11. The family, including his mother and father, will soon be taking up residence in the Sidney area.



Dr. J.M. Molnar, (centre) is welcomed to his new position as director of the Agriculture Canada Research Station on East Saanich Road.



## Letters To The Editor

Editor,

The Review, Sir:

I wonder how your reader Gillian Mackie reached the conclusion that there is no view from the new recreation complex? I don't think she has been there. From the ground level there is an excellent view. From the lounge there is an outstanding 180 degree view of the Gulf of Georgia. Probably not surpassed by any complex anywhere.

As for the name. It's refreshing to have a name which accurately describes the structure and it's site, and in this day to have words with more than four letters or one syllable. Panorama means unbroken view of surrounding region.

What name could be more suitable. If young people need a short term of reference why not use "The Rama", derived from the Greek word "horama", meaning view.

The word leisure, among other meanings suitable for a recreation complex, means to do things without hurry in free time. Surely applicable. The centre has a beautiful swimming area where anyone will be able to take a dip or a swim as leisure, and there is eating accommodation for several hundred spectators to enjoy themselves at leisure. No doubt many of our senior citizens will enjoy this aspect of the centre.

To knock the centre is to be an ingrate.

Thanks and congratulations to all who have given their time and thought to bringing about this excellent centre. We are grateful for it and proud of it.

Yours sincerely,  
Eric Vickerman  
9145 West Saanich Rd.

Editor,

The Review, Sir:

This is a "Thank You" to those members of council who reversed the decision regarding the parking problem on Beacon Ave. — i.e. changing back to angle from the parallel brought in some weeks ago. It took intestinal fortitude on the part of those elected members of council who changed their position, but

we feel sure that the very definite feelings of those who shop in Sidney could not help but make them take a second look.

All merchants concerned, we know, are more than grateful for this swift action, for once a shopping pattern is set it invariably remains static. As the few blocks on Beacon Ave. cannot be considered anything but a shopping plaza, as it is certainly not a "through road", we would respectfully suggest that a strict 20 M.P.H. speed limit be enforced and that North Saanich traffic be encouraged to cross at the 5th St. light and if needed another light.

Thank you again council.  
Win Gardner

## Community plan scheduled for N.S. public August 8

North Saanich is entering the last stretch of discussions and debate on a community plan and its accompanying by-laws and residents may wish to prepare for three public meetings this month.

August 8 a public meeting, tentatively scheduled for Parkland school, will be held to provide more information to the community about how the plan and by-laws are progressing.

Public hearings on the items will be held August 29 and 30. Before those hearings the municipality will distribute information material through the mail to all property owners.

Last year at this time by-law 194 was being hotly discussed by council and community. After the November election introduced new faces to a council, which had not been able to agree on the by-law, a planner was hired to come up with a community plan.

In most cases a community plan would precede the by-laws but mayor Paul Grieve, the main push behind by-law 194, hoped to save the community money by avoiding the costly community plan

stage and get right to the method of enforcing the plan, the zoning and subdivision by-laws.

Opponents said the by-law was being rushed through hastily and urged more careful consideration.

The planner has designed

a community plan that basically agrees with the ideas behind by-law 194 but which modifies a considerable number of smaller details. The planning committee examined by-law 194 once again and made several amendments.

Individual property owners will find the basic treatment of the community has remained the same but some areas of the municipality have been altered from their previous zoning or subdivision requirements.

## Hospital construction ahead of schedule

The building of the new Acute Care Unit of the Saanich Peninsula Hospital by Campbell Construction Ltd. is progressing rapidly and construction is five weeks ahead of schedule.

The Extended Care Unit continues to care for and make life more meaningful for the 75 patients who are in need of continuous nursing care. Outings to Butchart Gardens and other beauty spots plus picnics in local parks and visits to private homes take place throughout the summer. Visits to Government House and Royal Roads are projected for August.

Three students are carrying out projects under the provincial summer employment scheme. All concerned with

them are well pleased with their application and interest and the satisfactory results being obtained.

An innovation just started and proving a great success is Wells to Meals - a scheme whereby lonely old

folk are brought to the hospital cafeteria and provided a nourishing meal inexpensively and congenially.

This is a scheme the hospital staff hope to see grow.

## Strayed youngster

While on routine patrol in one of Central Saanich's many pastoral sub-divisions last Wednesday afternoon, Central Saanich police noticed a two year old girl on a tricycle trailing an elderly gentleman, obviously out for a stroll.

The stroller signaled the police cruiser and asked the constable if he were looking for a missing child as he thought the young lady behind him may have run away from home.

On being questioned by police, the two year old gave her given name only and, on being asked where her mother was, stated that her mother was in hospital. She refused to accept a ride in the police car to look for her home.

The constable, therefore, left the child in the custody of the elderly gentleman while he canvassed the neighbourhood to find out where she may have strayed from.

On checking at one house where several children were

seen playing in the yard, police solved the case.

The child's mother worked at the hospital and the householder minded the child, among others, while the mother was absent.

The baby sitter was taken to where the child had been left and the incident concluded happily.

## BREAK AND ENTER

The residence at the McTavish Road Store was broken into early Monday morning and a considerable amount of money taken, report Sidney R.C.M.P.

The store manager also lives in the building. He awakened to find someone in the room and was able to give police a description of the person.

It is thought access was gained through a rear window.

The dog master from Nanaimo was called in and police are still investigating.

## Home winemakers at Saanichton Fall Fair

Once again, home winemakers of Victoria and the Saanich Peninsula will be displaying the finest from their cellars at this year's Saanichton Fall Fair, September 3, 4 and 5th. This is the sixth year for this event.

The section is sponsored jointly by the three winemakers' clubs of the area, The Victoria Winemakers' Guild, The South V.I. Winemakers, and the Saanich Sommeliers, with Redvers Smith of the first club as convener. One-half the entries, however, come from winemakers who are not attached to clubs.

In the past, there have been roughly 130 to 210 entries, some coming from as far away as Nanaimo and Abbotsford. This year's committee seeks to raise the number of entries to 250 or more. Ultimately they would like the Saanichton Fall Fair to achieve the importance of the Pentiction Grape Festival, where approximately 300 entries come in from amateur winemakers from all over the province.

Seven classes within the section permit the entry of almost any style wine, whether made from grapes, grape concentrate, or from

berries and tree fruits. In addition, there is a class for home-brewed beers.

The general object of the event is to provide a competitive forum that will encourage local home

winemakers to improve the quality of their product.

Entry forms are available at local winemakers supply stores or by phoning 477-2154 or 652-3325.

WEATHER SUMMARY				JULY 31, 1977	
Temperatures			Precip.		nil
Maximum (July 31)	26°C		Total		295.4 mm
Minimum (July 26 & 27)	10°C		Sunshine		75.2 hrs.
Min. on grass (July 27)	4°C				
LONG TERM AVERAGES				JULY 31, 1977	
Mean Max. (July 31)	22.3°C		Max. Temp. (July 31)		25.6°C
Record Max (July 7/58)	33.3°C		Min. Temp. (July 27)		8.5°C
Mean Min.	10.5°C		Precipitation		nil
Record Min. (July 25/46)			Total Precipitation		325.6 mm
(July 28/43)			Sunshine		81.6 hrs.
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Sun.	0515	4.2	1305	8.5	1640	8.0	2205	9.7
Mon.	0605	3.9	1425	9.0	1805	8.5	2250	9.5
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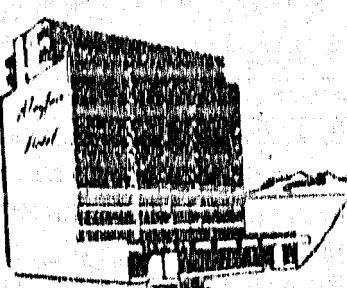
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# Special constable helps out Sidney RCMP

## Finds the experience more enlightening than university

By **BRENDA  
DALGLISH**

While both the police and law professions work toward the same goal, to see justice served, often the paths they take are widely divergent and even opposing.

Sponsored by a federal summer employment program for students, the Sidney RCMP have taken a special constable into their ranks. Constable Dave Gantzer has just finished his first year of university, hoping to enter law school in the next few years.

Gantzer, a Sidney resident for several years and a University of Victoria student, who chosen for the single position offered by the RCMP in Sidney.

As a special constable he has been sworn in as a policeman, wears the same uniform, has the power to arrest, and is paid as a special constable, which is slightly below the wage paid to a beginning constable.

He is not allowed to carry a gun nor is he expected to go alone on patrol.

"I hope the program will give him a good idea of what a policeman is confronted with in his job," said Corporal Rod McDowell. "The intention of the program is to broaden his knowledge and give him an understanding of the policeman's role," he said.

Cpl. McDowell, from the local detachment, is overseeing the program but Gantzer will eventually

have worked with all the members of the detachment.

"We hope it gives him an understanding of police work and if he, as a lawyer, has a better understanding than it may eventually help the police," said the corporal.

Gantzer spent his first week with the police, observing on patrols and in the office.

"The first thing that blew my mind," he said looking at McDowell to see how much he could say about an incident still before the court, "was the guy with the sickle." Gantzer said the man was disturbed and angry but what impressed him was "the reserve of the family members" who were handling the situation.

It was not a surprise to him that the police are often involved in family disputes, he said, "From watching television, I was aware of policemen acting as social workers in some instances."

Motor vehicle accidents had an impact on him as well. He said, "You're going down the road with the lights on and the siren going, its late at night and you've got the call but you don't know what it's for. You get there ten or 15 minutes before the ambulance and you drag people from the vehicles."

"All the ones I've attended have been caused by alcohol, or I mean," he said checking himself, "the drivers have been drinking."



CORPORAL ROD McDowell and Special Constable Dave Gantzer.

"It's so useless ... I haven't been into a pub since I started," he said.

He goes on regular patrols with another mountie, he works on all the shifts and goes to any call received. Before beginning the program he was required to familiarize himself with RCMP regulations including, discipline, dress, procedures and powers. There are 26 other special constables like himself in B.C. According to Staff Sergeant Alan Tomlins, commanding officer in Sidney, it is the first time the town has had such a program. He does not know if it will be continued, depending on finances, but said "We sure hope so; it's an asset to the detachment and the community."

"These three months are more of an education than two years at university," claimed Gantzer.

"I've got nothing but the highest regard for the men I've worked with," he said. Choosing a career in the RCMP is something he said he would consider.

Does he always agree with his partner's method of handling a situation? Not necessarily, but he explained why. "Every member has his own way of working ... every member picks his own way to go," he said.

"They'd all rather spend 20 minutes talking than get into any kind of a fight," said Gantzer.

Giving an example of two different styles of policemen he said, "Say we're stopping a car for a routine check, one guy will say, 'Hi, how ya doing, friendly and polite; the next officer will walk up to the car and say, 'I'm looking for drunks.'" He explained each man had a different style, but they all wanted to evoke a reaction to judge whether the driver might be drinking.

Gantzer, as a special constable, is not allowed to work alone but even a regular officer always has back-up help. If a regular officer does not have another officer with him, he at least has a radio in the car or carries one. Gantzer explained it is important to know there is always help available. "If an ordinary citizen has trouble, he always knows he can rely on the police; if you're a policeman there is no one for you to call on if there's trouble except another policeman," he said.

Two things specifically bother him about police work. There is a great deal of paper work. McDowell agreed that an officer could spend half a shift behind a desk.

Gantzer was also

"disgusted" about the amount of time spent in court, not testifying but waiting while lawyers argued fine points of law.

He gave an example of waiting with the officer who was to testify for four and a half hours while someone who, when arrested had a blood alcohol reading so high he should have been dead, pleaded not guilty on a technicality.

Although the fellow was eventually convicted, Gantzer said, "I didn't feel justice was being served," explaining that although the eventual outcome of the trial was just, the procedure and time required to get there was excessive for the type of offence.

It's an education into the other side of the law. Will it make a difference when

Gantzer becomes a lawyer? The RCMP think it might and if it doesn't, as Cpl. McDowell said, "It's nice to have an extra guy around to help out."

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## Symphony coming to town

Peninsula Recreation Commission and Saanich School District are co-sponsoring two performances by Victoria Symphony Orchestra at Parkland school August 21.

All residents are welcome at the free performances to be staged on the front lawn of the school or inside due to inclement weather.

Timothy Vernon is guest conductor for the performance which will feature a guest artist from

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The performance is part of Victoria Summer Festival and will be the first time the Victoria symphony has played in Sidney in 10 years.

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Lyons said weeping irrigation only waters the plants and doesn't spread in between the rows so that weeds cannot flourish. He hasn't weeded the garden in six weeks and says the water moves so slowly along the tubing it is warm when it reaches the plant and therefore doesn't shock the plant's roots.

The weeping system is practical for any type of row crop.

Lyons said the warmer irrigation water stimulates root growth and that the cool weather last summer didn't hamper his crop. "Last year's crop was terrific due to warm irrigation water," he said.

Lyons says he wants to spread the word about the benefits which can be derived from weeping irrigation.

He already has cabbages five or six inches in diameter, has had broccoli for over three weeks and some Scotia tomatoes are ripening.

Lyons' method for early ripening tomatoes involves putting clear plastic around the base of the plant which is dug into the earth in a cone shape. "This way water is funneled straight into the plant and hear penetrates deeper into the ground," he said.

Lyons uses no chemicals or sprays on his crops opting instead for wood ashes which are sprinkled on top of the row immediately after planting and which bugs will not penetrate. "The ashes let the root establish unmolested and is also food for the soil," he said.

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Extra safe bicycling courses are planned for August 12, 17, and 19 by the Capital Region Safety Council.

These will be special 4 hour courses completing in one day.

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No registration is necessary just bring your bike and \$1.00. There are still openings in the regularly scheduled classes on Aug. 11, 16 and 18.

For further information phone Capital Region Safety Council at 478-9584.



Central Saanich grower Ted Lyons in his organically grown field of corn. Ted waters his crop with a weeping irrigation system which saves time and water.

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## NOTICE

**PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING**

A Public Information Meeting will be held on Monday, August 8th, 1977 at 8:00 P.M. in the Parkland Secondary School, 10640 McDonald Park Road.

The purpose of the meeting is to provide an opportunity for the Public to ask questions and present their points of view pertaining to the proposed Zoning, Official Community Plan and Subdivision By-laws. The manner in which the three By-laws are related will be explained.

As required by Statutes, the Public Hearing on the proposed Zoning By-law is planned for the end of August 1977. The appropriate notices of this meeting will be published and mailed to property owners and tenants.

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BY T.E. PECK

Earth was now visible to the naked eye and it would be only a matter of a few short hours before we pulled into orbit. It had been so incredibly long since I was last home and so much had transpired since I left. But it was now time for me to return and as that blue speck in the heavens slowly became bigger and rounder and more detailed I could not help but drift into fantasy and daydream about those early days of my life. I couldn't wait to get back.

I remember so well how life had been in those early years. Those precious first 20 years of life when ones memory banks are filled gloriously with joy and dreams and unforgettable happiness.

My grandmother's place was where my brother and I spend most of our summers during those early years. I will never forget driving up

Allbay Road the half-mile to her house. As we turned off Resthaven Drive we slowly wound around the corners and the tall trees swirled and swayed gallantly and with ease in the light wind that would come off nearby Roberts Bay. There were few other houses nearby and her home was cozily nestled on the waterfront with tall trees and lush garden and much bush all around.

If there wasn't exploring or if the rope-swing wasn't up then there were the dogs to be played with or apples or plums or cherries to be picked or the woods to be tromped through.

The view from the house was tremendous. One could look across the bay out to the sparkling blue ocean and the horizon was speckled with sandy Gulf Islands; or one could look slightly eastward and to the south and catch the beauty of Mt. Baker on a clear day. "Splendor Sine Occasu", of scenic splendour were these islands, waiting anxiously, almost beckoning to be explored by wandering children or even a would be Robinson Crusoe who would kick his feet in the clean white sand and jump for joy at the beauty and the utter-peace and quiet.

And most of all I longed

for that amazingly clean air that little Sidney was famous for with the incessantly fresh breezes blowing off the ocean. There was something terribly Hemmingway about this region, almost melvillesque in fact, occasionally like Conrad when the storms blew in. God had been good to us.

As we pulled into orbit around Earth and gained near immediate glide path entry clearance, I climbed to be done on the beach or, locked it, plugged in the program feed tape, strapped myself, set the explosive bolts to jettison me free of the massive mother ship and head for good old fashioned home.

It was unknown to me at the time that the ancient submarine base at some old city known as 'Bunglor' had blown a gargantuan crater out of several miles of aldn dn ocean and subsequent earthquakes and tidal waves had desecrated my little garden of eden.

In an hour I would be home.

Editor's Note: The commentary in this article referring to Trident nuclear submarines, their proposed base at Bangor, Washington and their proposed weapon systems does not reflect the editorial position of The Review.

## OBITUARIES

### EWENS

At Rest Haven Hospital, Sidney, B.C. on August 1, 1977, Miss Evelyn May Ewens, age 86 years, born in Neepawa Manitoba. Late Residence 671 Downey Road, North Saanich, B.C. for the last 20 years, formerly of Saskatoon, Sask. She leaves to mourn her passing, brother Arthur Ewens of Minnedosa, Manitoba, sisters Marjorie Ewens, Calgary, Alberta; Phyllis Sturk, Winnipeg, Manitoba. Brother-in-Law, T.H. Bell Gladstone, Manitoba.

Service will be held Thursday, August, 4th, 1977 at 3 p.m. in the Holy Trinity Anglican Church Patricia Bay, North Saanich, B.C. The Reverend Robert Sansom officiating, followed by cremation. Flowers gratefully declined, donations may be made to the Canadian Cancer Society, 857 Caledonia Ave. Victoria, B.C. Arrangements by Sands Chapel of Roses, Sidney, B.C.

### JONES

Accidently on July 28th, 1977, Mr. Peter Jones of 10435 West Saanich Road, North Saanich, B.C., aged 33 years, born on Mayne Island, B.C. He leaves his uncles, Sandy and Harry

Jones, Sidney, B.C.; sister, Pauline Olund, Victoria, B.C.; aunt and uncle, Westholme, B.C.; one niece and one nephew and cousins.

Prayers were offered in the Sands Funeral Chapel of Roses, Sidney, B.C. on Tuesday, August 2nd, 1977 at 8:00 p.m. Mass will be celebrated in the Assumption Church, Wst Saanich Road on August 3rd, 1977 at 10:00 a.m. Rev. Father William Mudge celebrant. Interment in the Saanich Peninsula Cemetery.

### SENIORS' FISHING

The newly formed Golden Rods & Reels of Victoria will be hosting its first Senior Citizens Salmon Derby at Pedder Bay, August 18.

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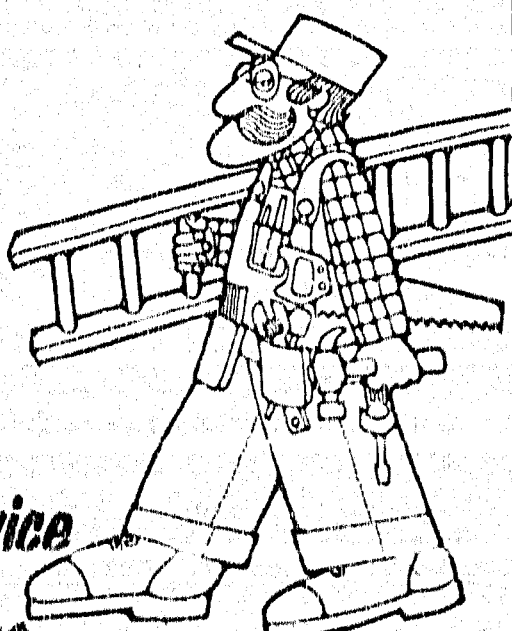
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# Sunny Central Saanich Days very successful

## A complete sell out except for ten dozen cobs of corn

Three days of sunshine contributed to the overwhelming success of Central Saanich Days this past weekend.

This was the first year the event was held for three days and according to the Lions' Club chairman of the days, Bill Eastgate, everything was sold out.

"It was a record year in everything," he said. "We took in more money, even in two days than we ever did before."

The extra day was added to allow the 12 team, double knock-out softball tournament. In the past the tournament was single knock-out. The Seaboard team won the championship this year for the second year in a row, the Frisia team came second and with Webb and Trace third.

"Softball is really our drawing card," said the chairman. This year they had more entries than they could allow. Eastgate thinks the three day event was a success and that the Lions will continue to sponsor the third day.

The softball teams competing are local teams and "Quite often they only play that one game a year," he said.

The entire event is organized and sponsored and run by Central Saanich Lions' Club members. It includes pancake breakfasts, food concessions, softball, commercial displays, a beer garden, games and rides for the children as well as other activities happening through the day, such as pet shows, horseshoe throwing and cake walks.

Many local teenagers give their time to man game booths. This year the club hopes to have made about \$8,000 for the three day affair. Eastgate said that would all be returned to the



Aswani, Julian North, read palms for those, attending Central Saanich Days, who wanted to know more about themselves.



Charlie, the dog, and Lisa Hardy, the girl are all ready to enter the pet show

community through other Lions' projects.

From past events the club has supplied Centennial Park, where Central Saanich Days are held, with a lighting system, concession stands and a lacrosse box. Eastgate said the club seemed to be concentrating more of its efforts towards one big project a year,

rather than getting into a lot of smaller ones.

Next year club members are talking about encouraging more commercial displays. This year five or six displays of handicrafts were presented under cover on the tennis courts. The area available would allow more displays and the club thinks an increased section

would be popular.

"It's a real big family picnic," said Eastgate, "...a country type of thing." "We had good weather last year and this year, we just hope next year will be the same," he said.

"We sold everything we had," said Eastgate, "except for ten dozen cobs of corn."

## Only a few spots on police blotter

In a week that consisted of routine police work and only minor incidents, the investigation of traffic complaints by land, sea and air occupied the most frequent attention of Central Saanich police.

Residents in several neighborhoods reported six speeding and noisy cars or motorcycles. In all cases the offenders were gone by the time police arrived, and although some license numbers were obtained, police could not obtain the direct evidence necessary to lay charges. Where possible, drivers were interviewed and told they had been subjects of complaints.

One fisherman, operating a small boat in Brentwood Bay waters, got fed up at being tossed about in the steep wake of larger speeding boats. He recorded boat registration numbers and names and reported these to Central Saanich police who traced and interviewed the owners.

The drivers admitted driving their boats at a high rate of knots but claimed

this was necessary because their boats had "planing hulls" and it was necessary to drive them at "planing speed" for efficient operation. Again police could not lay charges because, although Central Saanich has control of the waterfront to 1,000 feet off shore, there are no by-laws for the regulation of marine traffic. The R.C.M.P. has jurisdiction beyond this limit, but provide only infrequent patrols.

In the air, one resident reported that a low flying aircraft had panicked her flock of chickens, resulting in ten of them being killed. On investigating, Central Saanich police identified the airplane as being most probably a water bomber en route to dousing a fire on the slopes of Mt. Finlayson. Police suggested a less hazardous route should be followed.

During the week there was one roadside suspension, which had been generated by the Central Saanich Days festivities held in Centennial Park.

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